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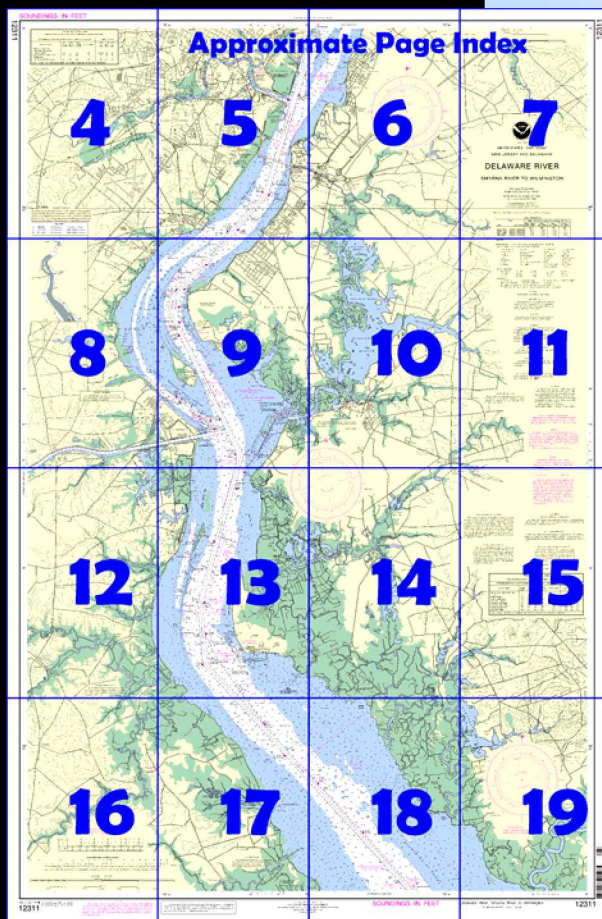
Delaware Bay – Smyrna River to Wilmington

(NOAA Chart 12311)



A reduced scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters. When possible, use the full size NOAA chart for navigation.

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- ✓ Up to date with all Notices to Mariners
- ✓ United States Coast Pilot excerpts
- ✓ Compiled by NOAA, the nation's chartmaker.



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What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

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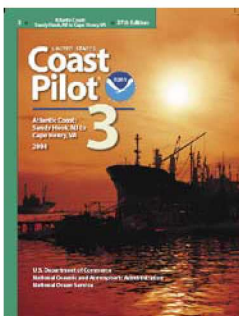
This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at <http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov>.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot, Chapter 6 excerpts]

(204) **Artificial Island.** The domes of the Salem Nuclear Power Plant, at the south end of the island, are prominent. An unmarked channel leads to a basin south of the powerplant; 18 feet was reported in the channel and basin.

(206) **Alloway Creek** has a depth of 3 feet to Quinton. The approach is unmarked. The shoals on either side of the mouth must be avoided. Above the mouth, the best water is not always in midstream, and local knowledge

is needed. The current velocity is 2.1 knots 0.2 mile above the entrance and 1.4 knots at New Bridge.

(207) The Mill Street bridge at **Hancocks Bridge** has a clearance of 4 feet. Salem County Bridge at **New Bridge** has a clearance of 3 feet. The State Route 49 bridge at **Quinton** has a clearance of 3 feet. The bridge is in the closed position.

(208) **Salem River** is entered through **Salem Cove** across from the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal. The approach channel is marked by a lighted buoy, lights, and a lighted **027.3°** range; the depth was 13.4 feet (15.4 feet at midchannel) to Light 14; 12.2 feet through the landcut with 14 to 16 feet in the basin; 16.0 feet to near the bridge at Salem. Above the bridge the depths were 2 feet or less.

(209) The maximum expected current in the land cut is 3 knots.

(210) State Route 49 bridge 1.8 miles above the mouth has a clearance of 5 feet.

(211) Several marinas and boatyards are along the north bend of Salem River and at Salem; slips, gasoline, and marine supplies are available.

(212) **Appoquinimink River** is used by pleasure craft. Controlling depth to Odessa is 2 feet. The current velocity in the entrance is 1.1 knots. The bridge 3 miles above the mouth has a clearance of 6 feet. The bridge at **Odessa** has a clearance of 4 feet.

(213) **Reedy Island.** The pier on the channel side of the island has a depth of 10 feet; the current velocity is about 2.5 knots off the pier. A submerged dike extends 3 miles southward from Reedy Island and parallels the western shore; the dike is marked by lights, and unlighted seasonal warning buoys.

(214) **Port Penn.** The approach, through the Reedy Island dike south of the island, is 5 feet deep and 150 feet wide, and marked on each side by a daybeacon. Approaches to the village from north of Reedy Island or from south of the dike are over flats with depths of 2 feet. Anchorage depths off Port Penn are 15 feet or more.

(216) **Pea Patch Island** is the site of **Fort Delaware State Park**. The wharf on the main channel is marked by a light. The area around the wharf is fouled with rocks which extend 220 yards southwest along the shoreline. A dike, mostly submerged at high water, extends northward along **Bulkhead Shoal** for 3 miles from Pea Patch Island; the dike is marked by lights and daymarkers. A fog signal and racon are located on an overhead power cable tower 0.8 mile N of Pea Patch Island. The current velocity is 2.3 knots in the main channel east of the island.

(217) **Delaware City Branch Channel.** A light marks the entrance to Delaware City Branch Channel; the controlling depth was 5 feet in the channel entrance from the Delaware River shoaling rapidly along the sides; thence the controlling depth was 6 feet in the channel. Depths alongside the Delaware City bulkhead were 7½ feet to bare. The entrance channel at the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal end was reported to have a depth of 7 feet. Mariners are cautioned to stay inside the north and south entrance channels.

(218) A highway bridge with a clearance of 6 feet crosses the channel 0.6 mile above the entrance; the bridge is maintained in the closed position.

(219) Berths, gasoline, diesel fuel, ice, and marine supplies are available on the west side of Delaware City Branch Channel southwest of the northeast entrance.

(220) A dredged cut with a depth at midchannel of 34 feet is marked by a **306°** lighted range and buoys, extends northwestward through **Bulkhead Shoal Channel** from Delaware River main channel to the Enterprises Refinery terminal.

(221) The current is 2.1 knots between Pea Patch Island and Delaware City.

(222) **Light 5N** (39°35.4'N., 75°33.9'W.). The power cable support tower, on the west side of the channel, has a fog signal and a racon.

(224) **Pennsville** has a small marina.

(225) A submerged jetty marked by seasonal buoys is in **Travis Cove**.

(232) Above Lobdell Canal, the centerline depths in Christina River were 11 feet to the Market Street bascule bridge, thence 5½ feet to the bascule bridge at Newport. Above this point local knowledge is necessary.

(237) **Brandywine Creek** has depths of 4 feet to the railroad bridge. The channel is rocky above the bridge, but depths of 1 to 2 feet can be carried to Market Street bridge above which there are rapids.

(239) The railroad bridge 1 mile above the mouth of Brandywine Creek and the highway bridges above it have a clearance of 10 feet.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

NOTE B
Depths refer to Christina River Dat.

OYSTER GROUNDS
Caution: Numerous stakes and obstructions exist within these areas.

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HEIGHTS
Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Mercator Projection
Scale 1:40,000 at Lat. 39°33'
North American Datum of 1983
(World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FEET
AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

CAUTION
Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

AUTHORITIES
Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

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APPOQUINIMINK RIVER
The controlling depth at mean lower low water from the entrance to Odessa was 4 feet June 1945-Oct. 1987. Local knowledge is recommended for navigation of this river.


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
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AIDS TO NAVIGATION
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SMYRNA RIVER
The controlling centerline depth at mean lower low water from the entrance bar to Flemings Landing was reported to be 8 feet in May 1971; thence 3 feet to Smyrna Landing in June 1964.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS
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SALEM RIVER
The controlling depth at mean lower low water was 12 feet for a width of 150 feet in the channel across Salem Cove.
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PRIVATE CHANNELS
Bulkhead Shoal Channel and the turning basin are projects of the Star Enterprise Co. Aids to navigation are private.

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE
Differences of as much as 2° to 5° from the normal variation have been observed along the channel from Artificial Island, New Jersey to Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania.

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WARNING
The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

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Christiana SOURCE DIAGRAM
The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

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POLLUTION REPORTS
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Bn beacon	LT HO lighthouse	Oc occulting	SEC sector
C can	M nautical mile	Or orange	St M statute miles
DIA diaphone	m minutes	Q quick	VQ very quick
F fixed	MICRO TR microwave tower	R red	W white
Fl flashing	Mkr marker	Ra Ref radar reflector	WHIS whistle
		R Bn radiobeacon	Y yellow

Bottom characteristics:

Bcls boulders	Co coral	gy gray	Oys oysters	so soft
Bk broken	G gravel	h hard	Rk rock	Sh shells
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Miscellaneous:

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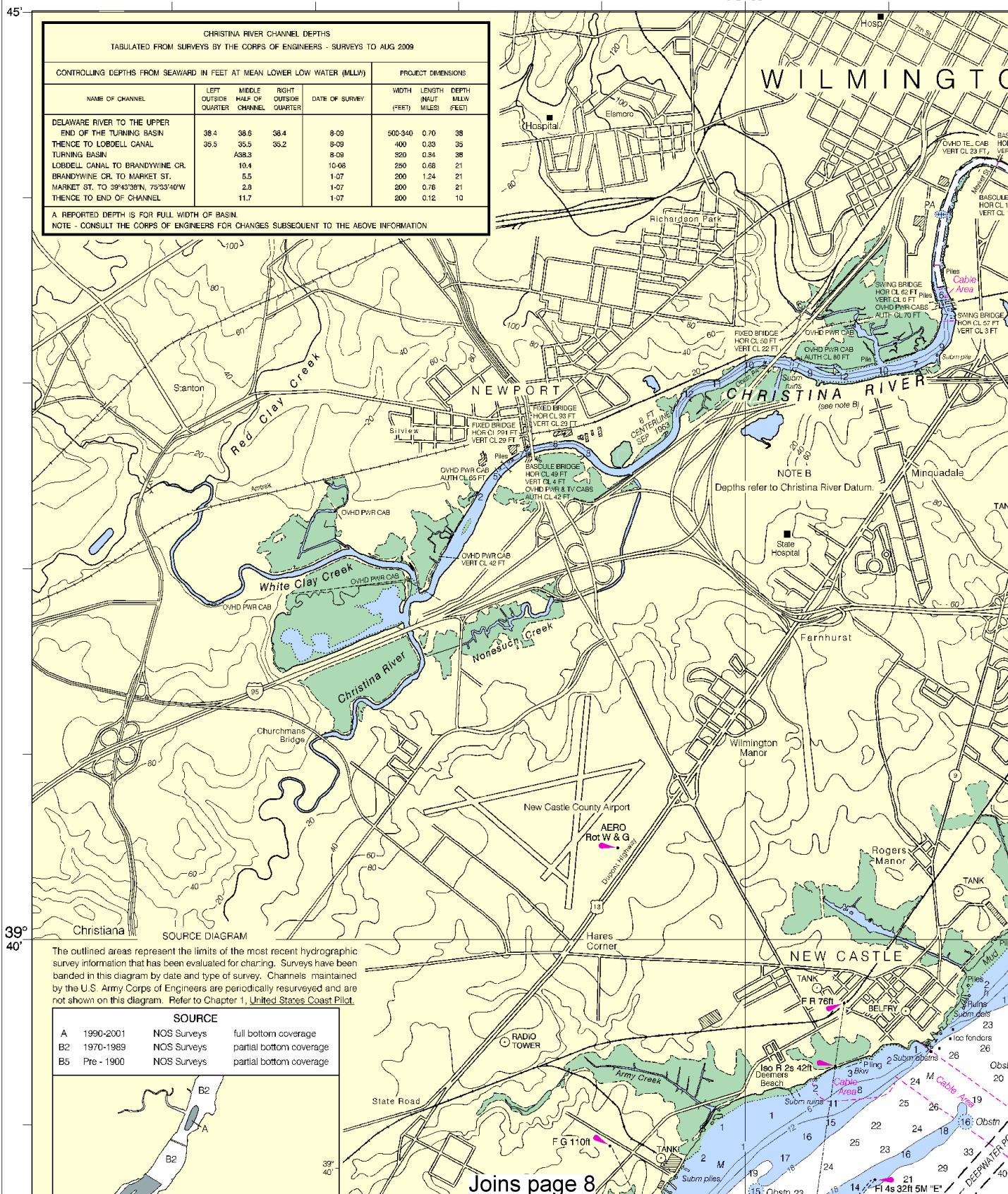
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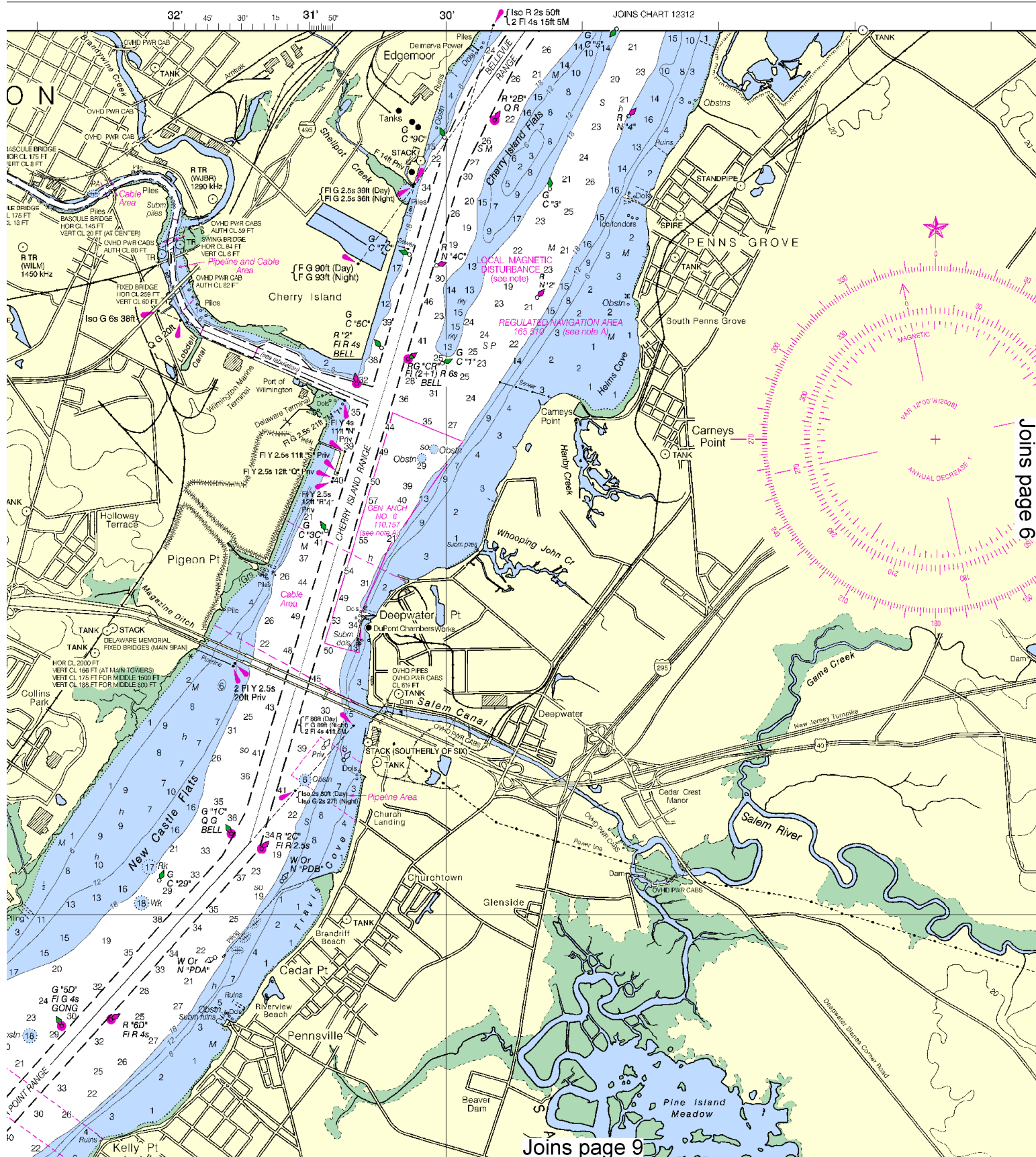


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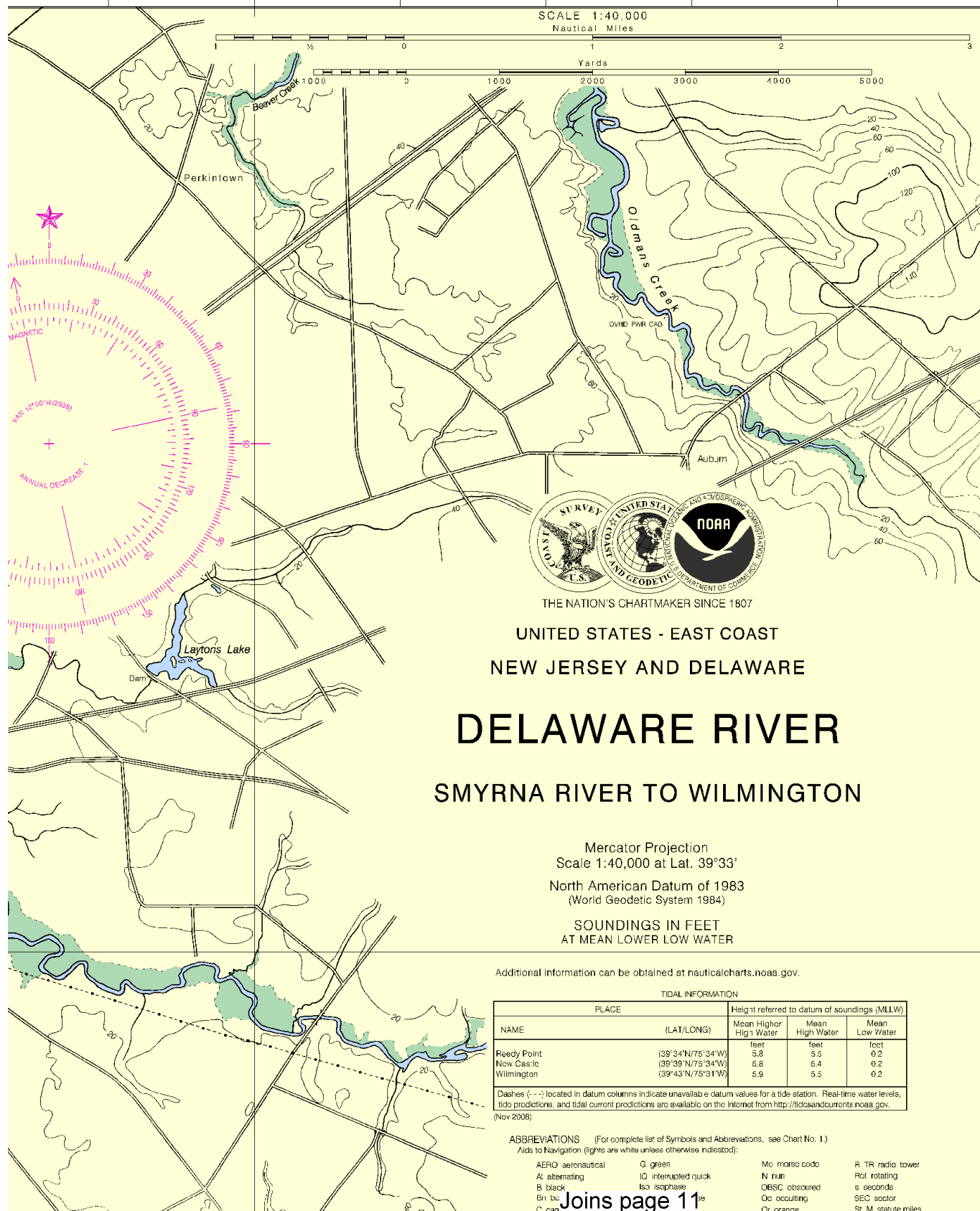
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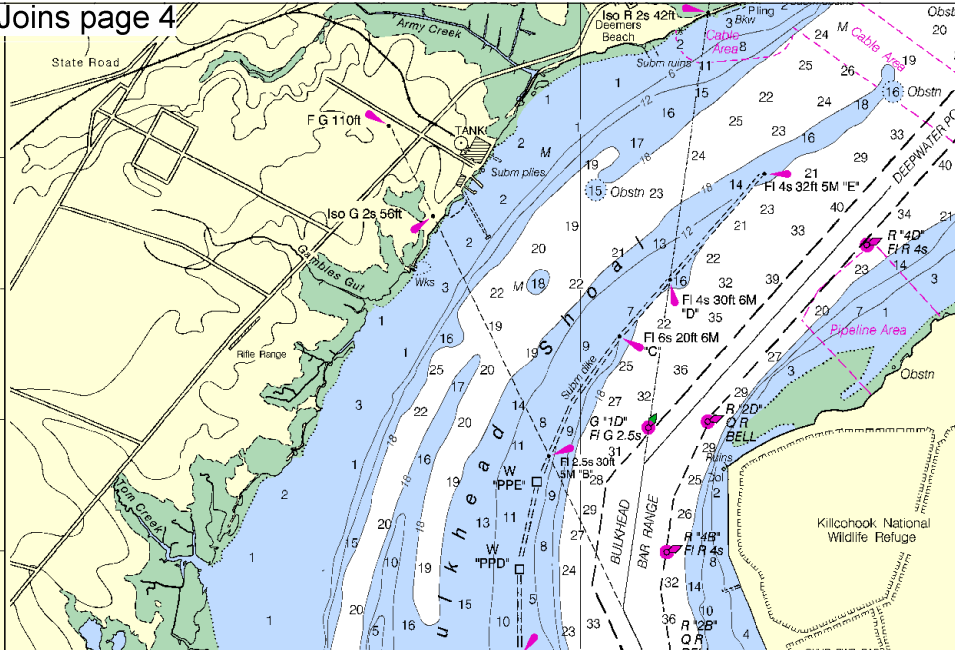
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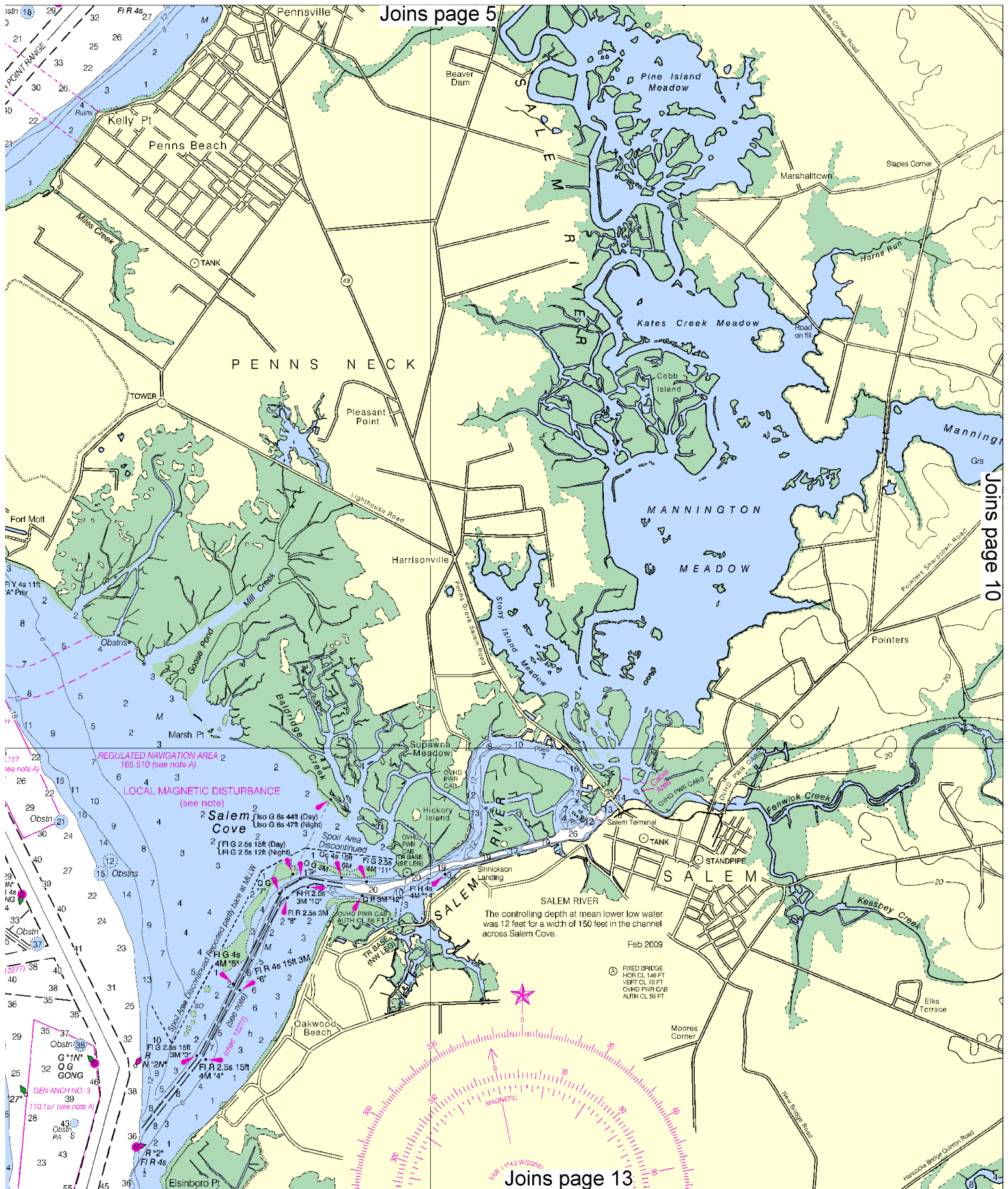
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
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Station positions are shown thus:

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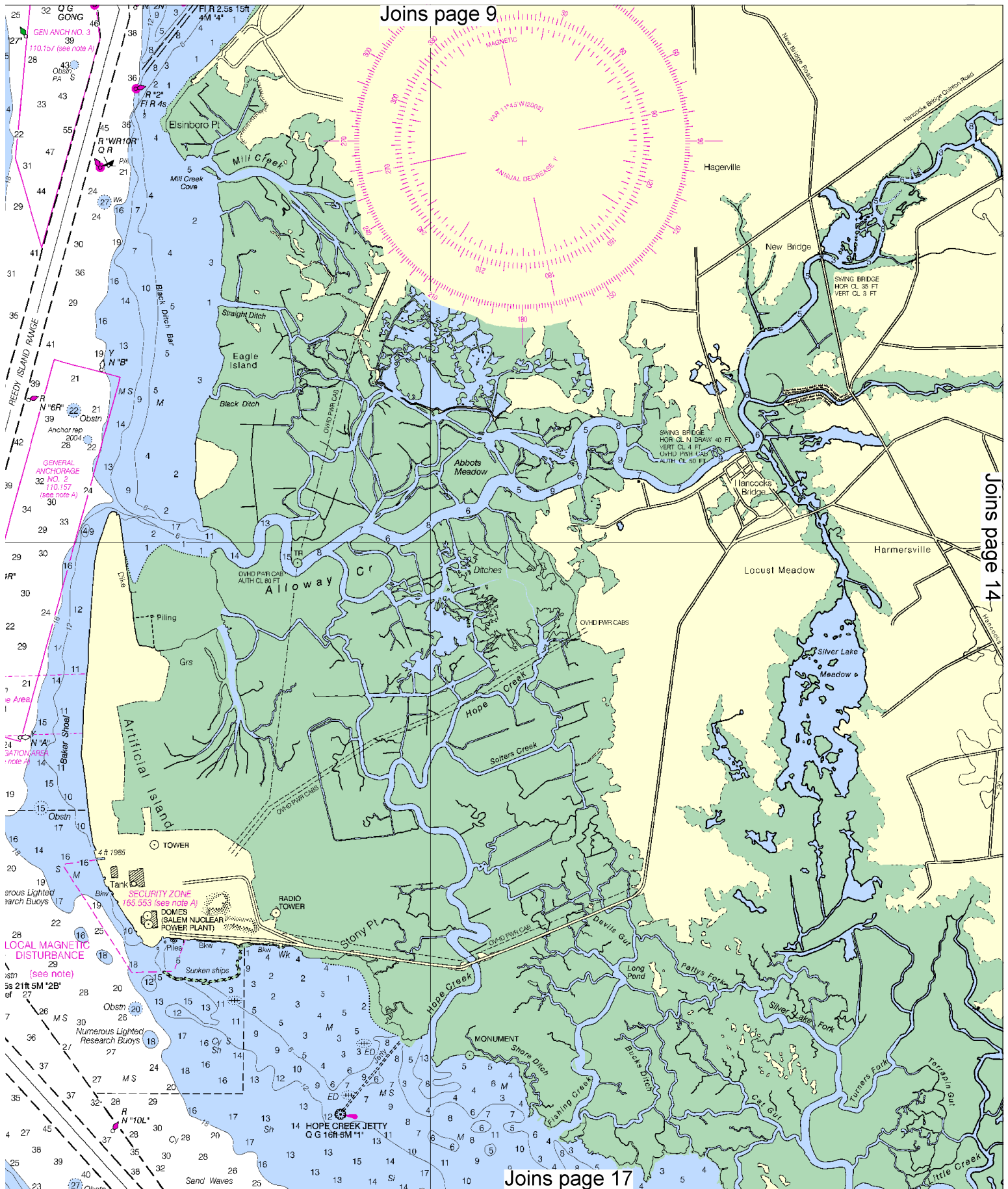
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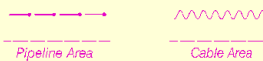
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LUSTON RANGE (ABOVE SHIP JOHN LIGHT)	41.0	41.4	41.6	40.3	5-07	1000-800	12.42 40
BAKER RANGE	44.4	45.0	43.1	38.4	4-07	800	1.65 40
REEDY ISLAND RANGE	39.9	40.8	41.8	38.3	4-07	800	4.28 40
NEW CASTLE RANGE	37.1	41.9	38.6	35.0	4-06	800	4.34 40
BULKHEAD BAR RANGE	43.3	44.4	42.9	36.0	3-07	1600	0.56 40
DEEPWATER POINT RANGE	40.3	42.0	43.2	37.3	1-08	800	3.76 40
CHERRY ISLAND RANGE	38.7	39.7	39.6	38.4	6-06	800	3.76 40
BELLEVUE RANGE	38.0	41.4	41.4	40.4	6-06	800	3.05 40

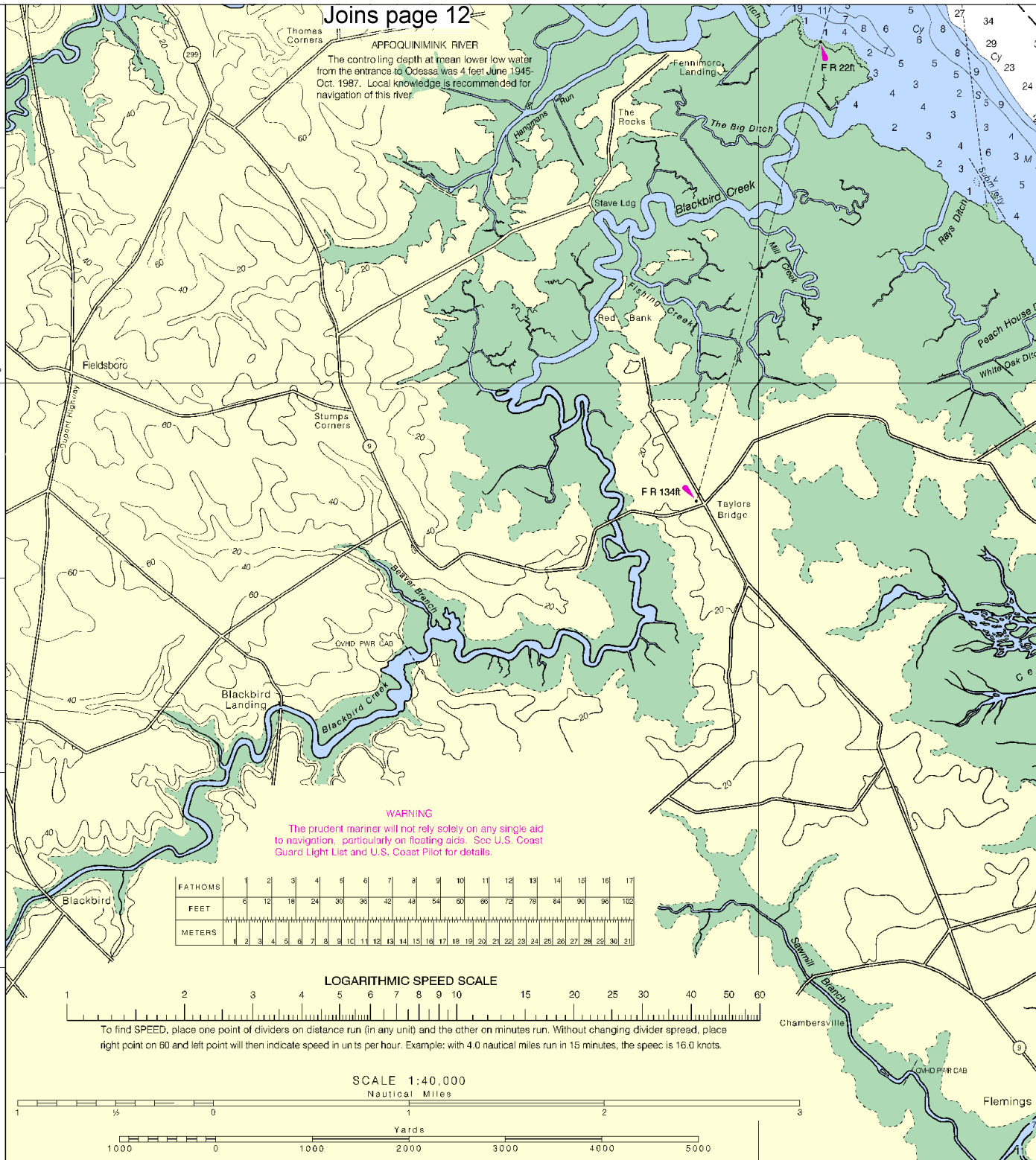
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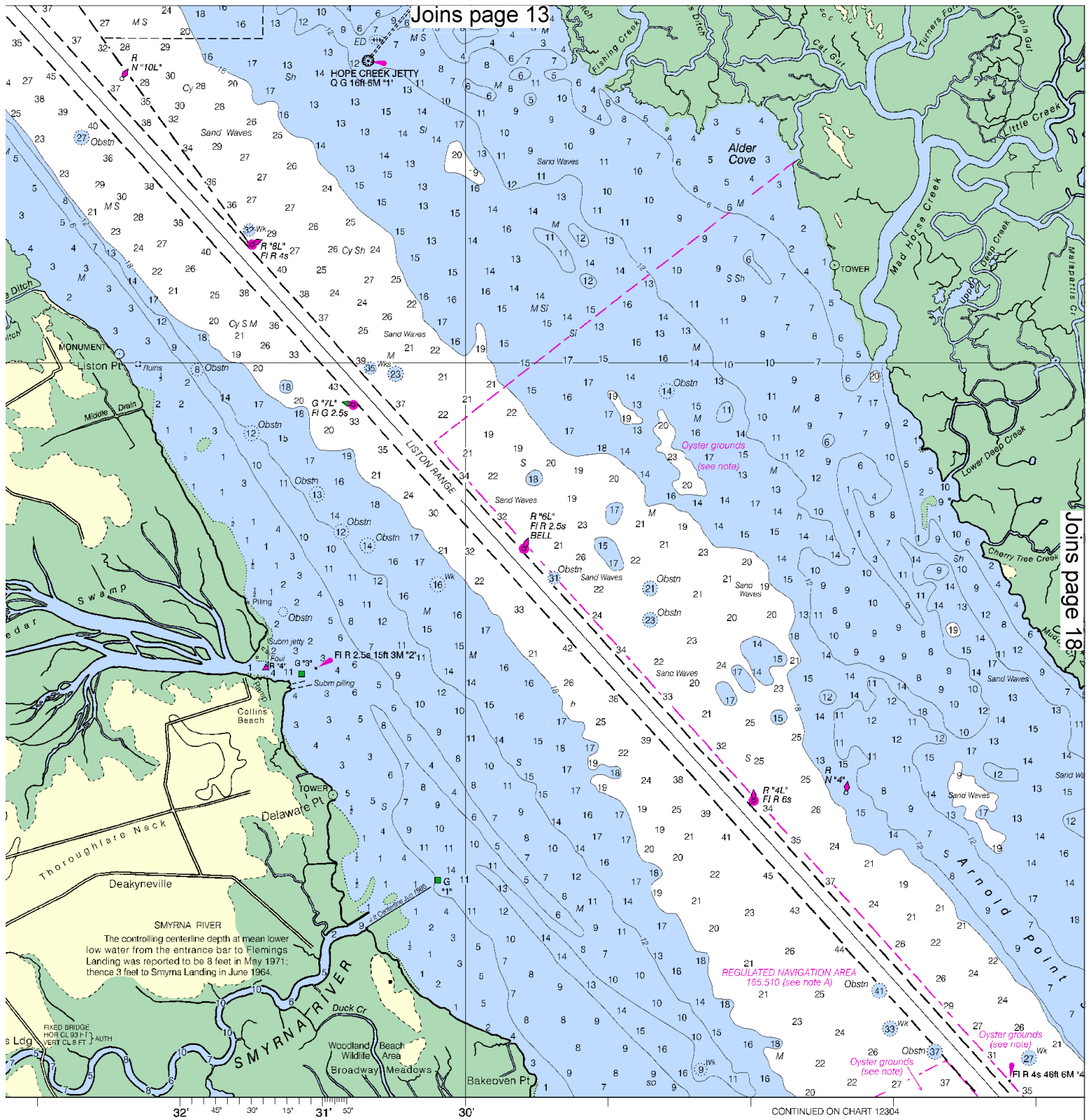


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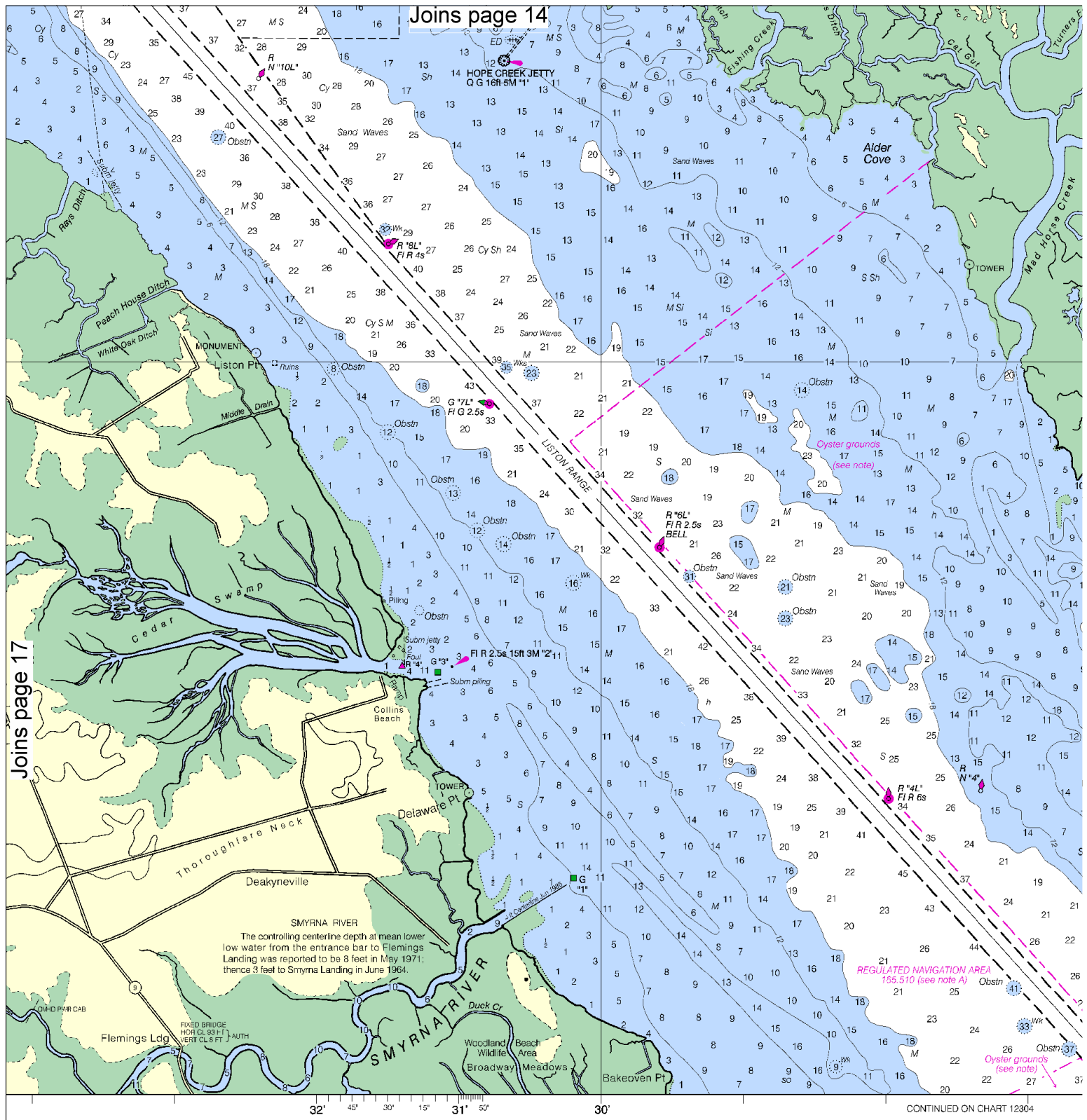




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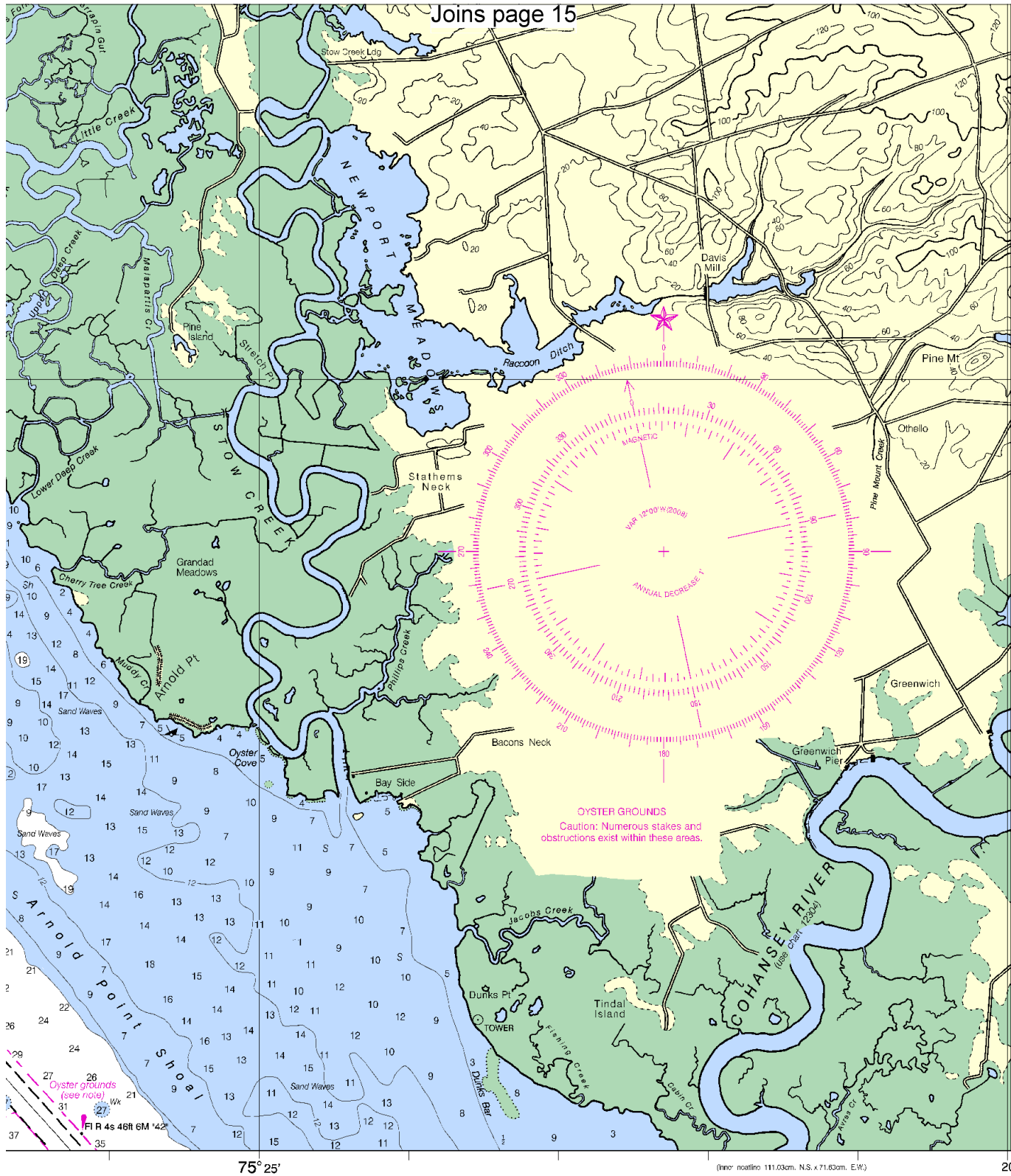


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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

1. Make sure radio is on.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
5. Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
6. Release transmit button.
7. Wait for 10 seconds – If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Philadelphia – 215-271-4944

Coast Guard Search & Rescue – 800-418-7314/410-576-2525

New Jersey Marine Services, Bivalve– 856-785-1330

New Jersey Marine Services, Burlington – 609-387-1221

Delaware Marine Police – 302-736-4580

Philadelphia Marine Police – 215-271-4971

NOAA Weather Radio – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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Internet Sites: www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov, www.NOAA.gov, www.TidesandCurrents.NOAA.gov, www.NOS.NOAA.gov.